PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2179

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Lance Everett GOOD et al. Group Art Unit: 2179

Application No.: 10/740,467 Examiner: S. TERMANINI

Filed: December 22, 2003 Docket No.: 117035

For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR SUPPORTING PRESENTATION TOOLS USING

ZOOMABLE USER INTERFACE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the October 28, 2009 Office Action, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-5, 7-23 and 25-34 are pending in this application. Based on several telephone interviews with the Examiner, claim 34 was added in a previous Amendment to include features that the Examiner indicated distinguished the pending claims over the prior art. It is unclear to the Applicants why the Examiner proposed the feature recited in claim 34, which Applicants added, in view of his updated view of what the Good reference teaches.

The Office Action, in paragraph 6, rejects claims 1-5, 7-23 and 25-34 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over "Zoomable User Interfaces as a Medium for Slide Show Presentations," by Lance Good and Benjamin B. Bederson, two of the inventors of the